

MOYVANE PARISH NEWSLETTER

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MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK

Vigil and Sunday Masses - Saturday 6th and Sunday 7th April

MOYVANE:	Sat	6 th	7.30pm	James & Bridget Beaton, Ahalahana (Anni)
KNOCKANURE:	Sun	7 th	10.00am	Larry McCaffrey, Arney, Fermanagh & Knockanure Requested by former team-mates & management of Knockanure GAA.
MOYVANE:			11.00am	John Shanahan, Kilbaha (Anni) & deceased of the Shanahan & Egan families.

Church of the Assumption Moyvane: Wednesday 10th to Sunday 14th

Wed	10 th	7.30am	Early morning Lenten Mass
		6.30pm	First Confessions - Holy Communicants of Murhur NS
		7.30pm	Joanie & Tommy O'Connor, Glin Rd & Castleisland (Anni)
Thurs	11 th	7.00pm	Stations of the Cross followed by Mass at 7.30pm for Mai Riordan, Moyvane South (Months Mind)
Sat	13 th	7.30pm	Richard Stack, Clounbrane (Anni) & his wife Hanna
Sun	14 th	11.00am	Mike Greaney, Bunagara & Leitrim Middle (Anni)

Church of Corpus Christi Knockanure: Monday 8th to Sunday 14th April

Mon	8 th	7.30pm	Parish Assembly gathering in Knockanure Community Centre - led by Bernie McCaffrey, Pastoral Team. It is important that each household is represented. We all have a contribution to make in shaping the Faith journey our Parish continues to make. Each voice and contribution is so important. All welcome. Starting at 7.30pm sharp concluding at 9pm with cuppa. This replaces the Monday confessions in Moyvane.
Fri	12 th	6.00pm 7.00pm	Billy Looney, Carrueragh & Birmingham (Rec Dec)
Sun	14 th	10.00am	Stations of the Cross followed by Mass at 7.30pm for Teresa Kennelly, Kilmorna & Listowel (1 st Anni) Mary Carmody, Knockanure (Anni)

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PRIEST ON DUTY THIS SUNDAY: Canon Declan O'Connor ☎ 087/0908949. Emergencies only.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: KNOCKANURE: Tuesday 10am - 5pm; MOYVANE: Wednesday 10am - 7pm.

LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTIONS: Offertory €1,584.60; Shrines Moyvane €295. Dues €140. Many thanks

PRAYERS & SYMPATHY: The death has occurred of Maurice O'Connell, Templeogue, Dublin & l/o Glin Road.

Our prayerful support to Marjorie and family and to neighbours and many friends in the Parish whom he kept in touch with over the years. May Maurice Rest In Peace.

PASTORAL AREA CONFESSIONS: will be on Monday 15th April in St. Mary's Church, Listowel at 8pm.

HOLY WEEK STARTS ON APRIL 13th

I invite you to reflect a little on Holy week which starts with Palm Sunday. This day recalls the entry of Jesus into Jerusalem and the lead into days that would see a shift in attitude that can all too easily happen when the individual gets lost in the crowd. On Palm Sunday there were many individuals that looked to Jesus for salvation and saw in Him a truly wonderful person who brought healing where He travelled and who spoke to them 'with authority'. He knew who He was and His words came from that place of knowing and love. The "Hosanna" of Palm Sunday will be replaced on Good Friday by 'Crucify Him'. Will you and I give time, our presence, and above all our prayers and love to Jesus for Holy Week? Will you make Holy Week holy?

STONE - THROWING

Anne and Mary were two cleaning ladies. They worked in a hospital. Their job was to clean the corridors and the operating theatres. They not only knew their job but did it to the very best of their ability. When they had finished their cleaning there literally wasn't a speck of dust either on the floors or on the furniture. Everything was bright and clean. Everything was thoroughly disinfected. Even the wall shone. No one could possibly find fault with their work. They set very high standards. But you should see the flat in which they lived in. It's true that they were poor. They had only one large room which served as bedroom, living room and kitchen and a small bathroom off it. Instead of having blinds on the windows they had old dust-covered blankets which they never removed. Their beds were never made and the clothes on them were filthy. The sink was also clogged up with cigarette ends. There was a row of unwashed cups and plates. On the floor, close to the sink, was a plastic bin bag with all sorts of fowl smelling refuse spilling out of it. Here were two people who were experts at cleaning up the dirt of others but woefully inadequate when it came to cleaning up their own. It's not a nice story. It's dirty and messy. The incident in this weekend's Gospel is also dark and messy, reeking of moral squalor - sin. On the surface there appears to be only one sin involved - the sin of the woman who was caught in adultery. But there are other sins there, subtle and to my mind more serious. In fact the vindictiveness of the scene, its malice and moral squalor are overwhelming. It stinks to high heaven. There was the horrible sin involved in the way the Scribes and Pharisees (all men) treated that woman. What is so important is that horrible meanness of it all, but the way it was done. They showed not the slightest regard for her feelings, not the tiniest shred of concern for her as a person. She was simply someone they could use in the hope of entrapping Jesus. There is sin involved in their attitude towards Jesus. Here are men who have consciously rejected the light and who are pursuing the path of darkness. They have only one aim - to get rid of Jesus. In other words - murder. Of course they would object and protest in the strongest possible terms if you were to put it as bluntly as that. Jesus exposed them, but on this occasion, He read their minds and hearts. He invited them to look to their own sins. He didn't even judge them. He invites them to judge themselves. Jesus did not come to expose the sores of people but to heal them. The kindness and compassion with which He treated the woman is a tremendous example for us to follow. He did indeed correct her, but ever so gently. We are innate stone-throwers. We cannot tolerate the sinner sin stinks when it is committed by others and we want to clean it up. But not so when it is committed by ourselves. Therefore we should try to look at our own house before we start throwing stones or mud at others. This week of Lent let us imitate Jesus in having compassion and kindness to those who have failed.

NOTICES

MOYVANE DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION: are organising a clean-up of the Village Approach Roads. If anyone is available for one or all of the following evenings: at 7.30pm Mon 15th, Tues 16th & Wed 17th. Meet at Noel Stacks where you will be given directions and equipment. If anyone wants to clean up their own roads at a different time please contact Ursula for the KWD bags.

MURHUR N.S: 'Split the Bucket' draw was held in the school on Wed 3rd and was live on Facebook. The winner of €218 was Brenda Kennelly. Congratulations Brenda! The next draw will take place on Thursday 11th at 3pm. Buckets in the usual shops!

LISTOWEL FAMILY RESOURCE CENTRE: Rainbows offers a 9-week listening, group support programme for children following a bereavement of parental separation. Suitable for children from 1st to 6th class. Starting on 1st May from 5.15pm to 6.15pm in the Centre. For more information on these and all courses ☎ 068/23584.

AONGHUS McANALLY CONCERT

Posters and tickets are available this weekend for our Church Concert which will be on May 21st. This year we are glad to welcome Aonghus McAnally & guests Denice Doyle and Ivan McKenna. This is a variety concert with a difference, combining song, music, humour and stories. Tickets available at both Churches and the Parish Office. I would also appreciate if people could take tickets and posters to distribute. You have supported past concerts in tremendous ways and even those who are unable to attend have helped in many ways. I am sure that the same support will be available for this concert. In anticipation of your continual support and generosity, many thanks.



HOLY WEEK TIMETABLE: Please take the timetable of Holy Week Ceremonies to your homes.